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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 23, 2003, the period for response to which ends  
after July 23, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the list of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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CALCULATION OF FEE FOR AMENDMENT

Sir:

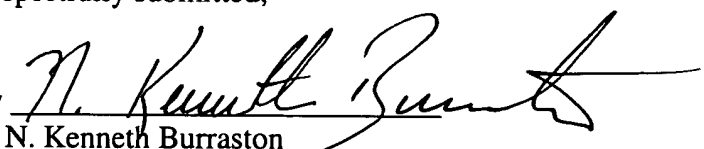
In an Amendment in the above-referenced U.S. patent application filed herewith a fee  
for amendment of claims is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No.	Previously Paid	Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims:	49	minus 30 =	19	\$18	\$342
Independent Claims:	4	minus 3 =	1	\$84	\$84
Multiple dependent claims at \$280.00 each:					\$0
FEE DUE FOR AMENDMENT OF CLAIMS FOR THIS RESPONSE:					\$426.00

- ☐ A fee for extension of time of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is required.
- ☒ A Check in the amount of \$426.00 for the above-identified fee for amended claims and fee for extension of time is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 23, 2003

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